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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR IMMIGRANT VISA APPLICANTS

U.S. Embassy Dakar, Senegal

## REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

At the time of your appointment at the U.S. Embassy in Dakar, you must bring with you originals of all of the required documents. The original of each document <u>must</u> be furnished for each applicant <u>regardless of age</u>, including babies. If you wish to have the originals of your documents returned, you must also submit one photocopy of each original document. If you do not provide photocopies at the time of your visa interview, your originals will not/not be returned.

It is your responsibility to document or correct any biographic discrepancies such as your name in your passport or birth certificate. All corrections must be made <u>before</u> your immigrant visa interview. Failure to do this will significantly delay processing of your immigrant visa.

#### ESTABLISHING YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO THE PETITIONER

At the time of the visa interview, you must establish your relationship to the person who petitioned for your immigrant visa. You may be asked to present secondary evidence of this relationship, such as photographs, letters, and phone records. Please bring this type of evidence with you to the interview. If your relationship cannot be established at the time of the visa interview, processing your immigrant visa may be delayed while the U.S. Embassy confirms your relationship.

#### MINOR CHILDREN

All children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian who can be placed under oath and speak on their behalf. If the parent or legal guardian is not available for the interview, at least one parent or legal guardian must provide an original, notarized power of attorney in English to an adult who accepts the legal responsibility of being placed under oath and speaking on the parent or legal guardian's behalf.

# RESCHEDULING YOUR APPOINTMENT THROUGH THE U.S. VISA INFORMATION SERVICE (USVIS)

For general visa information and/or to schedule or re-schedule an appointment, you must obtain a calling card from any MACSYM and BYTE-TECH networks for 7,800 CFA. The calling card will allow you to schedule up to five family members living at the same address. The calling card will allow 9 (nine) minutes of access to the service. You can reach USVIS at: **221-33-869-6300.** USVIS will schedule your interview for the next available date, on a first-come, first-served basis. This may be several months after your original interview date. You should not/not come to the Embassy without a scheduled interview.

# **QUESTIONS**

The U.S. Embassy does not accept phones calls or walk-in inquiries. If you have any requests regarding the processing of your immigrant visa, please email **consulardakar@state.gov**.

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